

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following claims will replace all prior versions of claims in this application.

1. (Currently Amended) An attachment apparatus for a container, comprising:

a guide member having at least two guide rails, said guide member having a front edge, and a rear edge adapted to be connected to the container, said container adapted to include an area adapted to hold materials comprising waste materials, debris, bulk materials, finished products, parts, or components and be transported by a transport vehicle utilizing the attachment apparatus, said guide rails each having a slotted track having a comb configuration, said slotted track having a height adjustment slot having a slot length and at least two arm slots connected to and extending outwardly a predetermined distance away from the height adjustment slot and away from the rear edge of the guide member; and

a connector member operatively connected to and movable in the slotted track of each said guide rails, wherein each arm slot is connected to the height adjustment slot so that the connector member is movable between the height adjustment slot and each arm slot, wherein each arm slot terminates at an end portion within the guide rail toward a front edge of the guide member, and wherein the connector member is adapted to be engaged by a hook or attachment element of a container retrieving hoist mechanism of the transport vehicle at the end portion of the arm slot located toward the front edge of the guide member and away from the rear edge of the guide member so that the attachment apparatus can be moved.

2. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the connector member extends through the slotted track in each guide rail present, and wherein with respect to a longitudinal direction, the guide rails are substantially parallel or each disposed at an angle of about 1° to about 45° with respect to vertical with upper ends of the guide rails being closer together than lower ends of the guide rails.

3. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 2, wherein each guide rail has a thickness of from about 0.25 to about 3 inches.

4. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim ~~[[2]]~~ 1, wherein the slotted track has about 2 to about 12 arm slots, and wherein at least one arm slot terminates at the end portion which is located a distance of about 2 to about 12 inches from the rear edge of the guide rail.

5. (Previously Presented) An apparatus according to claim 4, wherein the guide rails have front edges are spaced an average distance of about 4 to about 36 inches, and wherein 2 to about 8 arm slots are present.

6. (Previously Presented) An apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the guide rail thickness is about 0.3 to about 2 inches, and wherein the guide rails are connected to a back plate that is adapted to be connected to the container.

7. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the guide rails are substantially parallel to each other ~~and the slotted track has a comb configuration.~~

8. (Previously Presented) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein a front wall of a container is connected to the guide member of the attachment apparatus, wherein the container is a roll-on, roll-off container; a rear loading dumpster; a compactor receiver box; self contained unit; recycling container; a tank, a trailer, a storage unit or a disaster relief or construction trailer.

9. (Previously Presented) An apparatus according to claim 6, wherein a front wall of a container is connected to the guide member of the attachment apparatus, wherein the container is a roll-on, roll-off container; a rear loading dumpster; a compactor receiver box; self contained unit; recycling container; a tank, a trailer, a storage unit or a disaster relief or construction trailer.

10. (Currently Amended) A transportable container having a height adjustable attachment apparatus, comprising:

a container body comprising a base and a front, upright section attached to said base, said container including an area adapted to hold materials and be transported by a transport vehicle utilizing the attachment apparatus; the attachment apparatus comprising:

a guide member having at least two guide rails, said guide member attached to said container front upright section; and

a connector member operatively connected to and moveable in a slotted track having a comb configuration in each of said guide rails, wherein said slotted track has a height adjustment slot and at least ~~[[one]]~~ two arm slots located further away from the container than the height adjustment slot and extending a predetermined distance away from the height adjustment slot toward a front edge of the guide member and away from the container wherein the connector member includes portions which extend through the slotted track in each guide rail and end elements which prevent removal of the connector member from the slotted tracks and wherein each arm slot is connected to the height adjustment slot so that the connector member is movable between the height adjustment slot and each arm slot, wherein each arm slot terminates in an end portion within the guide rail toward the front edge of the guide rail, and wherein the connector member is adapted to be engaged by a hook or attachment element of a container retrieving hoist mechanism of the transport vehicle at the end portion of the arm slot located toward a front edge of the guide member and away from a rear edge of the guide member so that the attachment apparatus and container connected thereto can be moved.

11. (Canceled)

12. (Previously Presented) A container according to claim 10, wherein the connector member extends through the slotted track in each guide rail present, and wherein with respect to a longitudinal direction, the guide rails are substantially parallel or each disposed at an angle of about 1° to about 45° with respect to vertical with upper ends of the guide rails being closer together than lower ends of the guide rails.

13. (Previously Presented) A container according to claim 12, wherein the slotted track has 2 to about 12 arm slots, wherein each guide rail has a thickness of from about 0.25 to about 3 inches, and wherein the container is a roll-on, roll-off container; a rear loading dumpster; a compactor receiver box; self contained unit; recycling container; a tank, a trailer, a storage unit or a disaster relief or construction trailer.

14. (Previously Presented) A container according to claim 13, wherein the guide rails are substantially parallel to each other, and wherein the guide rails are connected to a back plate wherein the back plate is connected to the container front upright section.

15. (Currently Amended) A container adjustable attachment apparatus, comprising:

a guide member having at least two side members capable of being attached to a container, said guide member having a front edge and a rear edge adapted to be connected to the container, said container adapted to include an area adapted to hold materials comprising waste materials, debris, bulk materials, finished products, parts, or components and be transported by a transport vehicle utilizing the attachment apparatus;

optionally a back plate capable of being attached to the container and said side members being attached to said back plate;

each said side member having a slotted track therein having a comb configuration comprising at least a substantially vertical adjustment slot and at least two arm slots connected to and extending outwardly a predetermined distance away from the substantially vertical adjustment slot in a substantially horizontal direction toward the front edge of the guide member and away from the container;

each said side member slotted track having a said vertical adjustment slot and said horizontal slots in substantial alignment with the remaining slotted tracks; and

a connector member located within said slotted track of at least two said side members and being slidably movable therein,

said connector member being capable of receiving an attachment element of the transport vehicle for moving said attachment apparatus, wherein each arm slot is open to the height adjustment slot so that the connector member is movable between the height adjustment slot and the arm slots, and wherein each arm slot terminates in an end portion within the side member toward the front edge of the guide member.

16. (Previously Presented) An apparatus according to claim 15, wherein the connector member extends through the slotted track in each side member present, wherein with respect to a longitudinal direction, the side members are substantially parallel or each disposed at an angle of about 1° to about 45° with respect to vertical with upper ends of the side members being closer together than lower end of the side members, and wherein the track has 2 to about 12 substantially horizontal slots and wherein at least one horizontal slot terminates at an end portion which is located a distance of about 2 to about 12 inches from a rear edge of the side member.

17. (Previously Presented) An apparatus according to claim 16, wherein said back plate is present, and wherein the angle between said back plate and each side member is about 60° to about 120°.

18. (Previously Presented) An apparatus according to claim 17, wherein about 2 to about 8 substantially horizontal slots are present and wherein the side members are substantially parallel to each other.

19. (Canceled)

20. (Previously Presented) An apparatus according to claim 19, wherein said guide member back plate is connected to a container comprising a front wall and a base, wherein the container is a roll-on, roll-off container; a rear loading dumpster; a compactor receiver box; self contained unit; recycling container; a tank, a trailer, a storage unit or a disaster relief or construction trailer.

21. (Previously Presented) An apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the connector member includes portions which extend through the slotted track in each side

member and end elements which prevent removal of the connector member from the slotted track.

22. (Previously Presented) An apparatus according to claim 17, wherein the connector member includes portions which extend through the slotted track in each side member and end elements which prevent removal of the connector member from the slotted track.